

Claims

[c1] What is claimed is:

1. A golf swing plane training apparatus, comprising:
end attachment means comprising first end attachment member and second end attachment member adapted to extend laterally; and
a pair of elastic cords suspend substantially parallel to the ground and parallel to each other at a height ranging from a level approximate to the knees to a level approximate to the waist of a golfer at address.

[c2] 2. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 1, further comprising means to adjust the height of said elastic cords, whereby accommodating golfers of varying heights and golf clubs of different lengths.

[c3] 3. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 1, further comprising means to adjust the distance between said elastic cords, whereby accommodating golfers of varying skill levels.

[c4] 4. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 3, wherein means to adjust the distance

between said pair of elastic cords comprises a plurality of attachment locations along said first end attachment member and second end attachment member.

[c5] 5. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 1, further comprising means to suspend said pair of elastic cords in a manner such that the plane formed by the said pair of elastic cords is substantially perpendicular to the intended swing plane of the golfer.

[c6] 6. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 1, further comprising means to render said golf swing plane training apparatus freestanding.

[c7] 7. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 6, further comprising means to render said golf swing plane training apparatus collapsible, whereby improving portability.

[c8] 8. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 7, wherein means to render said apparatus collapsible comprises:

a first base assembly pivotably secured to aft end of said first end attachment member adapted to rest on a practice surface;

a second base assembly pivotably secured to aft end of said second end attachment member adapted to rest on

said practice surface;

a first slidably adjustable vertical support means comprising: a first upper vertical support member pivotably secured to forward end of said first end attachment member, a first lower vertical support member pivotably secured to forward end of said first base assembly, and a first clamp assembly, whereby said first upper vertical support member can be releasably and slidably attached to said first lower vertical support member;

a second slidably adjustable vertical support means comprising: a second upper vertical support member pivotably secured to forward end of said second end attachment member, a second lower vertical support member pivotably secured to forward end of said second base assembly, and a second clamp assembly, whereby said second upper vertical support member can be releasably and slidably attached to said second lower vertical support member;

a forward spreader means comprising: a first forward articulating leg secured to forward end of said first base assembly, a second forward articulating leg secured to forward end of said second base assembly, and a third clamp assembly, whereby said first forward articulating leg can be releasably attached to said second forward articulating leg while resting on said practice surface;

an aft spreader means comprising: a first aft articulating

leg secured to aft end of said first base assembly, a second aft articulating leg secured to aft end of said second base assembly, and a fourth clamp assembly, whereby said first aft articulating leg can be releasably attached to second aft articulating leg while resting on said practice surface;

a first spacer means comprising: a first spacer member pivotably attached to aft end of said first base assembly and a fifth clamp assembly secured to inner portion of said first forward articulating leg, whereby said first spacer member can be releasably attached to said first forward articulating leg;

a second spacer means comprising: a second spacer member pivotably attached to aft end of said second base assembly and a sixth clamp assembly secured to inner portion of said second forward articulating leg, whereby said second spacer member can be releasably attached to said second forward articulating leg;

a first brace means comprising: a first outer brace member pivotably attached to upper end of said first lower vertical support member, a first inner brace member pivotably attached to inner portion of said first forward articulating leg, and a seventh clamp assembly, whereby said first outer brace member can be releasably attached to said first inner brace member;

a second brace means comprising: a second outer brace

member pivotably attached to upper end of said second lower vertical support member, a second inner brace member pivotably attached to inner portion of said second forward articulating leg, and an eighth clamp assembly, whereby said second outer brace member can be releasably attached to second inner brace member.

[c9] 9. [Claim Reference]The golf swing plane training apparatus of claim 8 fabricated with polyvinyl chloride (PVC) pipes, fittings, pivot means, and clamp means.